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Love's Answer.

Why do I love thee? Dearest, cans't thou ask? How have I failed that thou shouldst set such task Unto my brimming soul? Where on the waking hills, The young and hurrying dawn, impetuous spills Her rosy largess, can the hill tops name The sweet and secret way the glory came?

Or knows the throbbing sea As, struck with silver fire and turning slow His mighty deeps, he reaches arms that go In upward striving for his fleeting bride, The law that shapes the yearning of his tide?

This is Love's mystery.

Love hath His way of walking sweet and

Love hath His way of walking sweet and still, Whose life is Love; and knoweth but His will.

HELEN WATTERSON.

A Short Study of Chivalry.

History has never given us a better illustration of the actual impelling power of the ideal, than in the growth and extension of chivalry; for although it was closely allied to political and martial institutions, in and of itself it was the embodiment in human action of all that is bravest, noblest, tenderest, most courteous and reverential in human hearts. From the political and military institutions of the age of feudalism arose the impulse commonly called "chivalry," but back of this was another chivalry, a moral and personal knight-hood which was the outgrowth, in part, of the national home-life. That dignity of obedience which was so much a part of knight-hood had its origin in the custom of the Gaulish youths whose duty it was to stand behind the seats and to attend upon the heads of the household at meals. Thus there sprang up in the young mind a beautiful subordination, in which there was no loss of personal dignity because it was sanctioned by nature.

The gallantry and bravery which were the most distinguishing qualities of chivalry, sprung from a home life that had inspired the loftiest and most reverential consideration for woman, that made her in the eyes of the knight, worthy to be honored by his noblest endeavor and counted her approval worth its greatest cost. Thus, when religion placed the keystone in the arch, from the simple circumstances and occasions of life, from associating in clans, from receiving his weapons in an assembly of the nation, from protecting and revereing women, and from performing acts of service when affection and duty commanded, arose the most beautiful form of manners that has ever graced the history of man or honored the history of woman.

There were three degrees in the chivalry of Europe, the Knights-Banneret, the Knights, and the Esquires. The highest dignity, that of Knight-Banneret, was only conferred on a knight who had passed through wars and served with distinction; the privileges of this knight were almost unlimited and he was subject only to the command of his sovereign. The second order, the Knights, were the most numerous, though for the dignity of Knight-hood, gentle birth was one qualification. Distinction here, however, could be obtained by military achievment alone. The third order was the Squire-hood; these were efficient soldiers, not necessarily inferior to the Knights, but who were prevented by various conditions from seeking higher honors. Many Squires remained such all their lives because they were not able to furnish a sufficient revenue to honor a higher order.

The knightly education was begun in early childhood, that all thought of personal ease or idleness might be banished from the mind. As a page in the castle of his lord, the light-footed boy began with personal service, honorable because voluntary, and here the little page learned his first lessons in religion, love and war. Here he was taught to blow a martial note on the trumpet, to leap over trenches, to cast spears and darts, and to imitate the measured tread of the soldiers. Here also, from the gentle lips of the ladies, were dropped into his heart, the first seeds of love and religion that bye-and-bye were to blossom into "the white flower of a blameless life."

When the youth had attained to his squire-dom, it was his duty to render personal domestic service and to attend the Knight when abroad. He learned to endure hunger and cold, to wield the heavy battle-axe, to wear the cumbersome armor and to thrust with the lance. Love, also, became his tutor and the "might of one fair face" sublimed his love to high and pure endeavor, to gentleness and courtesy and kindness that should honor her who inspired it. At the age of twenty-one or thereabout, the young squire became a candidate for the knight-hood,

which as he approached it, partook more and more of the nature of a religious rite. The inauguration ceremony was performed in the church and was often made the occasion of a great religious festival. The young candidate, advancing to the altar, presented his sword to the priest who laid it upon the altar, "praying heaven to bless it, and that it might give as a protection of the church for widows and orphans, and for all the servants of God, against the tyrannies of pagans and other deceivers in whose eyes he mercifully hoped it would appear as an instrument of terror. "The sword was then given into the hands of the young Knight, whose vows were then laid upon him:

"To reverance the king as if he were
Their conscience, and their conscience as their king,
To break the heathen and uphold the Christ,
To ride abroad redressing human wrongs,
To speak no slander—no, nor listen to it,
To lead sweet lives in purest chasity,
To love one maiden only, cleave to he,
And worship her by years of noble deeds."

The young man then advanced and knelt with clusped hands before the supreme lord in the assembly, who when his armor had been presented to him by the fairest ladies of the court and fastened upon him, proclaimed him in the name of God and the saints a Knight, whose mission it should be to uphold the right and subdue the wrong, to honor and protect woman and to love above all things "chivalry, truth and honor, fredom and courtesie."

His vows thus laid upon him, he rode forth into the world, a "maiden knight," young and strong and lightsome, seated upon his curvetting steed, with silver shield blazing in the sunlight; with glittering helmet and cuirass of polished steel; with silken banner and nodding plumes, and across his breast, the richly embroidered scarf, the favor of his lady-love. Following in his train were his squires and pages, with his armed vassals, some mounted, others on foot, all bearing his arms and cognizance. With him also was often found his "fiders Achates," a brother knight, his chosen companion in arms, between whom and him-

self were pledges of everlasting affection. As a token of this, they often exchanged their armor as the dearest possession each had on earth. These fraternal adoptions partook of a religious ceremony, and were pledged in the presence of relatives and sanctioned by the priest. The vow between them was "never to vilify or injure each other, to share each others dangers and joys and in sign of the perfection of love and true unity and in order to possess as much as they could the same heart and resolves, they solemnly promise true fraternity and companionship of arms. "This friendship was some times carried even to the romantic extremity of the Homeric age and even superseded the duty of knight-hood to woman-hood, for a lady might claim in vain the protection of a knight if any need of his brother-in-arms called him to fly to his assistance.

The chivalric character was peculiar to itself, a remarkable blending of the strength and daring of manhood with the tenderness and reverence of woman kind.

The courage of the Knight is, perhaps, the characteristic that strikes one first in a somewhat hasty review of the knightly nature. To display his valor at whatever cost of daring or risk of danger, was his first and only thought, even though the peril might be a causeless one. And yet in this, there was no touch of bravado, it was rather the spontaneous out-burst of that fearlessness which is born of perfected manliness. Sir Philip Sydney describes excellently the nature of chivalric courage when he says: "Their courage was guided with skill and their skill armed with courage; neither did their hardiness darken their wit, nor their wit cool their hardiness, valiant as men despising death, and confident as unwonted to be overcome; their feet steady, their hands diligent, their eyes watchful and their hearts resolute." Tennyson outlines the same portrait when he drew Sir Galalead.

"My good blade carves the casques of men, My tough lance thrusteth sure; My strength is the strength of ten, Because my heart is pure." Withal, there was no lack of pity or courtesy in this bravery, for to the true knight, generous and tender and pitiful as a woman, the conquered suppliant seldom sued in vain, and, when wearied in the engagement, it was no unusual thing for the two combatants to lay aside their armor and, seated side by side, seem naught but warmest friends, until refreshed, they would again don their armor and renew the fight.

Touched to such fine issues was this generosity of the knightly nature that not indeed alone but even in thought it bound him. Thus Tennyson tells in Guinevere, how, when Lancelot came upon the wily Madred, who, all eye and ear, lay underneath the wall to spy out some guilty secret, if he might, between the Queen and Lancelot, with sudden flaming wrath Lancelot would have crushed the poor small spying woman as he lay, had not the noble generosity of his order bound him ever to lofty pity for a nature so despicable. And so he held his peace and went his way making

"* * * * such excuses as he might, and these
Full knightly, and without scorn; for in those days
No knight of Arthur's noblest dealt, in scorn;
But if man were halt or hunched, in him,
By those whom God had made full-limbed and tall,
Scorn was allowed as part of his defect,
And he was answered softly by the king
And all his knights."

This character of Lancelot exemplifies also in its highest form another knightly trait, that of humility.

"And of his port as meek as is a maid," wrote Chaucer of his "very perfect gentle knight;" and not be alone, but every knightly hero was bound to demean himself in all things; to put himself in the hands of God and use his arms in His name.

"Nor praising more himself for hero-deeds, Than stones for weight, or open seas for tide."

It was also required among first things that a knight should be "courteous and debonnaire," and by this was indicated that kindness and gentleness of manner which were the appearances in the common circumstances of life of that instinct of protection, which, in matters of more weight, flashed the sword from its scabbard and the lance from its resting place. This was the courtesy that taught the knight tenderness to the weak, respect and obedience to his elders, devotion to women, generosity to his enimies and that made him the brother of all man kind.

The true knight, moreover, was a more perfect exemplification of love than poets and romancers have ever dreamed. He whose heart was warm with the "maiden passion for a maid," never wished that her dominion over him should be less; and the trust in her perfect virtue kept his faith and life strong and pure. Love was as much master of the knight as valor and, (in the phrase of the time,)he who knew how to break a lance and knew not how to win a lady was but half a man. Nor was this a feeling of mere sentimentalism or exaggerated courtesy, it was so deep-rooted in the knightly character that it partook of his religion and his lady-love became to him the divinity whom he worshipped.

The sweetest picture of young love, in all love-verse is that which Tennyson has drawn of the coming of love into Arthur's life as he rides forth to battle and sees Guinevere standing by the castle walls to watch the train sweep by.

"And Arthur yet had done no deed of arms, But heard the call and came; and Guinevere Stood by the castle walls to see him pass, But since he neither wore on helm nor shield The golden symbol of his knight-hood. But rode, a simple knight among his men, And many of these in richer arms than he. She saw him not, nor marked not if she saw. One among many, though his face was fare. But Arthur, looking downward as he pasted. Felt the light of her eyes into his life, Smite on the sudden; yet rode on, and pitched His tents beside the forest; and he dean The heathen and he slew the beast and felled The forest and let in the sun and made Broad pathways for the hunter and the knight And so returned."

With the summing up of these traits, "fidelity in fraternity, devotion to women, respect to elders, generous frankness of deportment, military education and investiture," we have the outline of the knightly character. "From these feelings proceeded all the graceful refinements, all the romance of chivalry and knight-hood itself because a pledge of virtue, of manliness, of gentleness, humility and truth." Helen Waterson.

Reminiscence.

I know an old lady who says the greatest joy of her life is the memory of the good times she had when she was young. If that old lady had been a college girl in her youth, grim age would have had ten times its charm of resourse.

She could have spent the whole of every May and June in reminiscence, just for the fun of the thing; that is, after housecleaning, for everybody knows house-cleaning is not favorable to mental operations of any kind especially of the dream sort. She would begin in May to think of those long sunny days when the various "ology" expeditions hied themselves to the woods when riding parties of upper classmen clattered along the pike o' afternoons and rumors of Commencement and banquets and class reunions were in the air. Now the fact of the case is that there are few things more stupid than a Commencement banquet, but the rumor thereof never fails to be exhilarating. She would turn lovingly toward the old spring in the grassy hollow beyond the town (everybody had their loving turn at that old spring.) The path was well worn and narrow and the couples who walked therein generally carried umbrellas. It was a cool retired spot and there was something in the water as she remembers it, that savored of eternal youth, something perennially beautiful in the wild flowers that bloomed there-about.

And then this old lady would remember, the examinations. How irrelevant they seemed at such a season and how improbable it appeared that the President and Professors ever could have been young. How pleasant it was to review "evidences of Christianity" in a hammock. It seemed to take the edge off the "Evidence" and add to the "Christianity." The class meetings and affecting fraternity meetings that old lady would remember in the early days of June if she had been a college girl would have been past counting. There was all the pathos and fascination of imminent farwells with the charm and mystery of the attendant future. And then she would get out her class photographs—those class-mates that never grew any older to her than their pictures of that brave June time. What fun it was to sit for them, and how conscious of budding greatness they all look! But the capsheaf and climax of all that yesterday's glory was the Commencement oration with its knee-knocking and general perturbation. I presume that at this moment there are 50,000 Commencement orations in proc ss of efflorescence with the rest of the tender green things. It is one of those crops that never fails or is quoted "short." No late frost nips it nor is it ever "winterkilled." The eternal law of supply and demand is powerless upon it. Stock and grain markets have chills and fevers at the swing of that pendulum but the crop of Commencment eloquence "heads out" and is harvested with the immutability of Time and Tide. The subjects of the orations this year may be predicted within limits. There will be 5,000 upon the "Samoan Question," 5,000 on "G. W. W.," 5,000 on the "Present Administration v. Tariff," 5,000 on "Temperence," 2,000 on "Boulanger," 2,000 on "Gladstone," 1,000 on the "Sphere of Woman" and "No Rose without a Thorn," 1,000 on "Science v. Religion" and "Robert Elsmere," 1,000 on "Home" and "The Golden Rule," 200 on "Garfield," and 100 on "Julius Cæsar" and "Napoleon Bonaparte" respectively; from which it will be seen that J. C. and N. B. are on the wane. I know one High school maiden

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who has "Modern Philanthrophy" as the limited subject of her message to the world of June Commencements. At every Commencement there is the alumnus, very superior and self contained outwardly but under his vest pocket he has a heartache. Unlike the old lady who revelled in memory alone when nothing jarred. Every Commencement sees two or three of him rash enough to come back to the old familiar places and he feels so suddenly and cruelly old—so Rip Van Winkley. It is not really true about those years. 'T was only yesterday he walked the path to the old spring and spouted forensic thunders in the old halls. He comes again for a taste of eternal youth and spring water, to give and take the old fraternal "grip" and drop for a day into the current of swift fresh life, but the old familiar faces are gone and the new ones have such a strange distant look, no smile for him. He is not sure but he is Methusalah or some other equally antique and unexpected patriarch. He vows to himself that the sweet fragrant corner of memory full of the good old times and the good old friends is best after all and that hereafter he will stick to reminiscence.

> ELEANOR IGBHEART, Alpha Chapter.

Chapter Correspondence.

My DEAR THETA SISTERS:-Last night, after a somewhat checkered career-you too would think so, I received a letter from our worthy editor-in-chief, asking me to write "an article for the Journal a description of some place you have been, something you have seen or heard." How much I should like to comply with just that request, my dear girls, but this time must ask you to accept a letter, telling the reasons for not writing an article, and giving a short account of myself if such will be acceptable. I have been east since last July, spending the greater part of the time at my old home in Vermont. In January my steps were turned toward Boston, the "cultured" city you know, and while there availed myself of some of the many advantages. The first day of the week found me at massive, many-towered Trinity; within the precincts of the charm which all who have heard the famous man can well appreciate; and where the angelic strains of music carry one in rapid transit heavenward—surely Boston may well be proud of her worldwide reputation as the musical center of the nation. The New England Conservatory still affords the same fine advantages to the musically inclined. A series of weekly concerts were held in "Sleeper Hall" during the winter, participants being mostly under-graduates. I would endeavor to relate an interesting account of the many places frequented by visitors to the historic city, but illness deprived me of numerous anticipated pleasures, and after some weeks of confinement to the house, my physician ordered immediate flight from the proverbial and now prevalent east winds, hence this sudden return to Vermont just in season to participate in the closing festivities of maple sugar manufacture,

in which my pleasure would have been complete could you all have joined "Sweets to the sweet."

"April showers have brought forth May flowers" much earlier than usual this season. They are modestly peeping from their long winter's nap, and were you here, girls, we would, in reviewing our botany, find among the first floral tributes of spring the sweet, dainty May-flower abundant in the east; the yellow adder-tongue with its spotted leaves; jack-in-the- pulpit, dear to the hearts of St. Nicholas' readers, squerrels corn, and arbutus, sweetest of all.

The November and February numbers of Kappa Alpha Theta were very warmly welcomed and have been thoroughly digested. Glad I am we at last have a catalogue, and from the Journal's mention I feel sure it fills the long-felt want. Am anxiously awaiting a copy for my own perusal. Our Kappa Chapter, if I remember correctly, has just passed its eighth anniversary and my heart goes out in most earnest hopes for continued success and prosperity.

God bless Kappa Alpha Theta and all of her undertakings. My return to the west is as yet indefinite and though half a continent divide us, you and your welfare are among the ojects uppermost in my mind for my heart will ne'er contain love greater than that for Kappa Alppa Theta.

Fannie E. Pratt.

Rochester St., Apr. 27, 1889.

MU.

Allegheny College, Meadville, Penn.

DEAR THETA SISTERS:—Even in college life where we are so free and happy, the bitter is mixed with the sweet. Those of us who leave our dear fraternity this year are beginning to appreciate this. It is with happy hearts that we gather in Theta Hall "each longed for Thursday eve," and the pleasant hours spent there will always be bright places in our lives.

Fraternity has done what she promised to do for us, when we entered the mystic band, and we can truly say that the friendships formed within this band have been the pleasantest and most helpful of our college life.

Our chapter is in a very flourishing condition at present, we have twelve members, having initiated no new girls this term.

Miss Adelaide Robinson has been delayed at home on account of illness, but we hope she will be able to be with us soon.

Miss Cassia Patton made us a visit before going to Sitka, Alaska, where she has charge of the schools.

Miss Emma Powell of Cochranton, has proven to us by her visits that she is stiil interested in her fraternity.

Of course we were very much pleased at the Ossili (Ladies Society) contest where Bella Watson, "Our Baby," took the prize. She recited "Jack," by E. S. Phelps, and was drilled by Miss Jo Henderson, one of our resident members.

Pa. Delta of Phi Delta Theta give a reception next Thursday evening in honor of the two ladies fraternities of the college. We anticipate a very pleasant time as this is one of the many receptions which they have given and which have proven very enjoyable.

We are glad to hear that Lambda is to have a chapter house. We hope that she will enjoy it as much as Mu does hers.

Wish best wishes for the fraternity at large we are

Very Truly,

Mu.

IOTA.

Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

Iota chapter has little to record for the last three months. Only one thing of especial importance has occurred, the initiation of two seniors who pleased us exceedingly by aggreeing to cast their lot with us during the remainder of their stay. Near the beginning of the term we gave a high tea to the members of the Amherst Glee club who gave a concert here at that time.

Mrs. Comstock, one of our faculty members, and Gertaude Van Dusen '84 have come back from abroad and Frances Storrs, who was with us during the early part of the year and spent the winter in Boston, has returned to her home in Kansas after a short visit with us.

Iota sends cordial greeting to all the other chapters.

RHO.

University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.

The last of the school year is always uneventful, in a certain way, in fraternity circles. There is no rushing as very few new students enter at the spring term, and "swings" are few and far between. We have made it a principle to move very cautiously in the matter of securing girls and now we feel assured that our success justifies our conservative policy.

The thoughts of all are turned toward commencement. The frats. will furnish one of the literary programmes to be given in the opera house at that time one representative from each fraternity being chosen, and naturally there is a great deal of rivalry to see which frat. will appear to the best advantage.

We were very glad to receive our catalogues as we hardly felt acquainted with our sisters in the east, but now after reading and re-reading the names we feel as if we almost knew them.

We have given up all hopes of ever seeing the song books and fondly hope that the song Rho chapter was guilty of is reposing calmly in the waste-basket, for *triste dictum* we do not worship at Enterpe's throne. Best wishes for a pleasant vacation.

EPSILON.

Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio.

Epsilon is beginning to realize some of the dreams that have doubtless always been entertained with regard to ladies fraternities as a means of social culture. We have our studies and our religious organizations for the development of mind and morals. But in co-educational schools, considering the part woman plays in the social life of a community, very little is done to prepare her for society, nothing in fact but what she does for herself, and for that little, it has been the writer's observation and experience, college work tends to produce less and less inclination. In the fraternity, among other merits, stands prominent the opportunity and stimulus given for social intercourse and real training to occupy positions in the social circles of the world. As a step in the right direction Epsilon has issued cards for two receptions to be held the first and third Thursday in May, with a view to their continuance next year. The economical freak that Dame Fashion seems to have taken of late years will enable us to give at the same time very plain and very "swell" entertainments so that we need not shock our parents by the demands on their pocketbooks, nor the professors by the demands on our time.

We have been quietly carrying on our entertainment system when not interrupted by more momentuous events, and have spent several evenings very pleasantly and profitably over the question box. For one evening we might emphasize the word profitably; the source of the questions was the history and the constitution of KAO; the degree of ignorance displayed was truly lamentable. Although, looked back to through months, it has already begun to grow dim, perhaps the most unique and interesting event that has occurred among us this year was the "Pan Hellenic." Now in the first place don't laugh at the idea of two fraternities having a Pan Hellenic. For, as was wittily remarked in one of the toasts on that occassion, the boys by a strange perversion of mathematical relations, on the premise that a part of a thing was equal to the whole, they forming threefourths of the fraternity life of the college, called their banquet a Pan Hellenic. What, therefore, was to prevent us, though only one-fourth, calling our banquet a Pan Hellenic on the same premise.

Upon casting lots for toast-mistresses, fortune favored Theta, and I think *all* were agreed, before the banquet was over, that the duties of the office requiring ease and dignity combined with quietness and readiness of thought and expression could not have been more happily performed than they were by Miss Professor Waterson, Theta's choice.

There were six toasts given, the subjects being Our Fraternities, The Boys, The Girls' Battalion, (a new feature of the military department), The College Widow, The Ideal Fraternity, and The Pan Hellenic. An enlivening, we might say charming effect was lent to the occassion by the Greek costumes worn by a good portion of the ladies. It had been a part of the plan to have all dress in this style but that was found to be impossible. We could not help but observe in watching two girls dance together how unfavorably the modern dress, with its bustle and other appliances, compared with the loose flowing robe of the ancient Greek. We cannot enter into a more detailed description of this event but we are sure it was heartily enjoyed by all present and many a hope was expressed that it might become an established feature in our college life.

I will have to close now lest I overstep the limits allowed for chapter letters. I am afraid that the next issue of the journal will be too long after the events for us to give an account of our reception, but doubtless there will be others to describe next year.

J. C.

OMICRON.

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Cal.

Ye gentle Omicron "lambkins" still frisk, in spite of the hard times. We may be so small and mild mannered that we are hard to find. But we gambol along right gaily, warmed by the sun and cooled by the gentle Pacific breezes, but enough! We thought the Journal had taken a rest and that we could do the same. The trouble was that we had mislaid our memoradum

of "fraternity etiquette." The word of intelligence reached us too late, being sent to Los Angeles intead of the University post office.

We have had some delightful evenings this year. It might not interest Theta's in general if we should go into particulars but our sisters will be glad to know, that with us, Theta life is very harmonious. At present we are reading the works of Hawthorne and Holland. Our regular meetings are well attended. Our pledges, who are growing up true Thetas, take part in the literary work. We believe in pledges.

We have had a helpful addition to our circle, Mattie Myres, Delta and Mrs. Anna (Martin) Whitted, Alpha.

But it is not "all work and no play" in this sunny clime. Now is the season most suggestive of picnics. The mountains and valleys are covered with wild flowers, the canons full of ferns. Hardly a Saturday passes but that a party of students are off to the hills. We Thetas celebrated Washington's birthday by going to the mountains for a picnic, taking with us a number of our gentlemen friends, and a very jolly time we had.

Wednesday, March 6th, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Widney tendered a reception to Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Cherrington, to which our girls were invited.

So far, this has been a bright and prosperous year, and we are looking forward to a glorious time next commencement.

With loving greetings from beyond the Rockies.

OMICRON.

PI.

Albion College, Albion, Michigan.

DEAR THETA SISTERS:—We have only good news to send you from Pi chapter. Six girls have been added to our number this year Zella Stark, Ruth Coney, Kittie Carland, Fannie Staley, Ella Caster and last Saturday Susie Turner bravely went through the trying ordeal.

There are thirteen of us now (so you see we are not at all superstitious,) and a happier, more enthusiastic band of girls can not be found in Michigan,

We are the only Thetas in Michigan. So we feel safe in this.

We have had but one open meeting this year, at which Mrs. Brockway, one of the members of the Faculty, gave us an entertaining talk on Southern Life.

There is one cloud on our horizon. The fiat has gone forth that "all fraternity banquets must be held on the same night" and that "no young lady shall attend more than one banquet." Of course the faculty were actuated in making this decision by great solicititude for our health, but some way we don't seem to appreciate their anxiety as we should.

So now the all absorbing question with us is, what to do at Commencement?

Yours in Theta.

PI.

LAMBDA.

University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.

DEAR THETA SISTERS:—The notice that another journal might be expected by the middle of May, made us almost as happy as would the news that the song books are ready for distribution. It appears that our Seniors will never have the pleasure of singing those new songs, unless it be at initiation, to which the "old girls' are bidden.

The last edition of the journal was very interesting to Lambda, and was seized upon and devoured with our usual eagerness. We would send greeting through the journal to our honored alumnæ associations and wish them every success. Although we are by no means a frivolous fraternity, our alumnæ associations give us an added dignity.

Life at Lambda has been much the same as usual during the spring, but now the lake attracts our attention and a boat club is

in process of formation. We keep up our Wednesday evening teas at the hall, and from them we always go for a row and to watch the lovely sunset over the Adirondacks. In a short time the tennis club will begin daily practice, but the ground will not be suitable for a few weeks.

Lambda was well represented at the March Sophomore Exhibition by Miss Skinner. Her essay was credited with being the one best written and delivered on the programme. Some time ago Miss Gale was home from Clark Institute and we gave a little play at the hall in her honor. It was written by one of the girls, and was entitled "Abracedabsa the Avenger," or "The Tragedy of Gashen Grove." But I assure you the play was not as dreadful as its name, as was apparent from the hearty applause of the kats, which composed the audience. In fact it was so well received that the actors(?) and actresses were obliged to repeat each scene before they were allowed to go on. If any of our sisters are in need of entertainment we would gladly send them a copy of our play, as it is kept strictly for Kappa Alpha Theta amusement.

Miss Conant, '90, has had the supervision of the illustrating of the "Ariel," the college annual, which comes out about Commencement time. Lambda is glad that it is not this summer that she has to do duty as chairman of the committee to chose a new fraternity cut. To simply order our impressions is quite a relief.

We are hoping to renew the pleasant acquaintances we made among our Theta sisters last summer, and that still more will be attracted by the Lauver School of Languages to spend the summer with us. Lambda would welcome you all, and to all she sends her best wishes.

PHI.

University of the Pacific, College Park, Santa Clara Co., Cal.

We have stepped inside the mystic circle and stand hesitating, conscious of our ignorance of fraternity matters and feeling

the gaze of friendly eyes turned upon us. But if we falter it is only for a moment. Already the sweet spirit of sisterhood has conquered us, and holding out both hands to you we would clasp your hands in fraternal grip and sit down to tell you "all about" our organization.

The girls of the University of the Pacific have long talked of a sorority, but we are a cautious people and did much investigating. After deciding that Kappa Alpha Theta was the sorority for us, we waited with becoming fortitude for our charter. Through the kindness of one of our former students, Miss Rosa Harrison, of the U. of S. C., we were led along the devious way to Theta's threshold, and when finally we realized that we had attained our object the "barbs" must have thought we were crazy.

Never was a chapter inaugurated under more propitious circumstances. The faculty was in the most approving state of mind. California Alpha, one of the most flourishing chapters of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, was here before us to welcome us, and right royally they did so, offering us the use of their own "home" hall for our initiation and showing their friendship and hospitality in every possible way.

Omicron sent two of her most energetic girls, Miss Helen Widney and Miss Ollie Harrison, to help us, and on the evening of the fourth of April the very clouds put on the black and gold. There are six chartes members, Miss Lizzie Gober, '88, Miss Susie Kingsbury, '90, Miss Mabel Urmy, '86, Miss Mary Johnston, '89, Miss Eva Hunkins, '88, and Miss Nettie Whitehurst, '89; and although we went in with fear and trembling we came out with enlarged ideas of "goats" and thinking more of ourselves than ever before.

The Phi Psis, who had religiously kept away during the ceremonies, appeared soon after they were over and invited us into their dining room, where a delightful banquet was spread. You can imagine how we enjoyed it, and how, too, we appreciated the pleasant and cordial things which were said afterward.

Prof. J. N. Martin, our professor of Latin, in speaking of the fact that the Phi Psi is the only fraternity in our college, said that "it is not good for man to be alone" and welcomed our sorority most heartily. Before we separated our hosts gave three rousing cheers for Theta, and we cannot but feel that a welcome so hospitably given merits our sincerest friendship while both fraternities last.

Wishing to meet again before our kind friends from South California left us, we gathered on the afternoon of the ninth at the home of Miss May Johnston and initiated two of our college girls, Miss Bessie Boardman, '91, and Miss Jennie Landstrone, '92. We enjoyed this meeting thoroughly and felt that we were truly working Thetas. Not less enjoyable was the spread which followed, for Miss Johnston is a charming hostess.

Our members are all energetic and devoted. Will we be considered conceited if we say we have chosen the best girls of the college? We have a hopeful future before us and a splendid work to do in sending out the flower of California womanhood to join the alumnæ of Kappa Alpha Theta.

MABEL URMY.

DELTA.

Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, Ill.

DEAR THETA SISTERS:—Delta, with smiling face, greets her sisters, and rejoices in the hope of a successful term's work.

Since the last issue of the journal, the Theta girls, by the kind invitation of Mrs. Prof. Potter, gave a very pleasant surprise party on her daughter Mary, one of Delta's strongest members, it being the occasion of her 18th birthday. Her Theta sisters presented Miss Potter with a beautiful photo receiver; and some of her gentlemen friends present, in the name of Sigma Chi, presented a set of Chas. Reade's novels. Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Potter in her usual hospitable manner, and the company dispersed wishing that birthdays came oftener.

Kappa Kappa Gamma gave a reception to Kappa Alpha Theta at the home of Miss Rinehart, in this city, on the evening of March 19.

Several of the old girls were back to attend the elite banquet given last term. Quite a number of the Theta girls enjoyed the hospitality of their Phi Gam friends at a party given at the home of Mr. Bowen, of this city, last month.

Waiting anxiously for the next issue of Kappa Alpha Theta, and with love and best wishes to all her sisters.

DELTA.

TAU.

Northwestern University, Evanston, Ills.

We are again called upon for our chapter letter, and wish we had some wonderful news to tell. For instance—that some one had promised us a new chapter house, as the happy Lambda girls were able to announce.

We would we could say we had received the new song books. (Alas! will we ever be able to say that?)

But even if we have no particularly startling news to relate, we can tell of the continued prosperity of the girls of the "black and gold" at N. W. U. We beg leave to introduce to you our latest initiate, Grace Knox, and Florence Tobey, our new fourth year pledgling.

We have had two small parties to which our gentlemen friends were invited since we wrote last. The first was at the home of Addie Beggs; one feature of the evening was an auction, where articles of varying value, securely done up in packages, were sold to the highest bidder, each person being provided with a bag containing beans supposed to be of the value of fifty dollars.

The second was at the home of Mae Dingee, and occurred April 22. Grace Knapp, ex-'91, and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mars (*ree* Nora Prescott, one of our pledged girls last year) were

present. A gypsy fortune-teller told us what the future had in store for us, and was the source of considerable amusement and conjecture.

Mrs. Jane Eyre Smoot, Eta, who lives in Highland Park, about twelve miles north of here, delightfully entertained us at her home on the afternoon of February 23. Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Barron, both of Eta, were present, and added much to the pleasure of the occasion.

Sevilla Cleveland, of Alpha, made us a flying visit on her return from founding Upsilon chapter at Minneapolis.

We are expecting a visit from Mae Earle, '88, in the near future, and are looking forward to it with much pleasure.

Our retrospect for the year is most satisfactory. That all have enjoyed the year as much as we, is our wish.

KAPPA.

University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

In casting up accounts as the year's campaign draws to a close, we find that one of the most important items that stand to our credit is congeniality. At the very outset we smoothed down the lines on our careworn and troubled brows and resolved to look young again. And this year we have wrought together with might and main, elbow to elbow, without jostle or discord as true Thetas ought to do.

Since our last letter one of our Juniors, Tella Chapman, having failed in health has withdrawn from the University. We miss her tender and loving influence every hour, and hope for her a speedy return.

Florence Reasoner is the new initiate, whom we feel proud to introduce to all Theta sisters. We have pledged Edith Haskell, a bright and capable young Preparatory student; and just now the news comes of another victory over our sisters the I. C's. and K. K. G's.—Edith Clark has given her pledge to the Thetas. The contest was one of the most heated we have ever

had, though our girls did all rushing in the most dignified manner, and entirely outside of the echoing corridors of the University. The young men were quite wrought up and arrayed themselves according to their own individual tastes, and behaved quite as they are said to do on presidential election occasions; yes, shall I say it—they staked money.

Mrs. Banks, who so many times has opened her heart and home to us, indulged us again recently. On this occasion Mrs. Whitman gave us a most interesting talk on the works of Miss Alcett, after which the most dainty refreshments were offered.

Sisters Mamie and Helen Simpson treated us and toasted us in a most queenly and charming manner on the 2d of February.

Saturday last Mrs. D. C. Haskell invited us to her beautiful suburban home, where, for a few hours, we forgot all about Greek roots and quizes and thought this "world most jolly."

We are eagerly looking forward to the meeting of the convention with us next fall, and earnestly hope that each and every chapter will respond with delegates.

UPSILON.

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

DEAR THETA SISTERS:—For the first time Upsilon makes her apperance in the Kappa Alpha Theta not without some diffidence and a great deal of joy and pride. Upsilon's birth was chronicled as follows in the *Ariel*, our college publication:

"Kappa Alpha Theta, the oldest of the ladies' fraternities, established its Upsilon chapter at the university on the evening of February 6. The initiation and banquet occured at the home of Miss Rexford, the initiation being performed by Miss Sevilla Cleveland, of the Alpha chapter at DePauw. The next morning the following young ladies appeared at the university wearing the black and gold and kite shaped pins: Lillie Martin and Kittie Comfort, '90; Emma Kemp, Minnie Rexford, Annie Guthrie, Dora Guthrie, Beulah McHenry, and Gertitude Bell, '91; Helen

Tombs, '92. The new chapter was congratulated by the other soroities, accoording to the established custom. This cermony occured in the ladies' parlor, and continued at intervals for about two hours. Just after chapel there issued from the parlor sundry unsual sounds:

"Shrieks, clamors, murmurs, filled the affrighted air."

The ladies military company was divided into squads of six men each, which were detailed to capture the new Greeks. Each squad, when it had secured its victim, took her in hand (there being no bouncing blanket obtainable) and elevated her toward the ceiling three consecutive times, to the utter amazement of the visitor from DePauw. How they did soar! It was the true poetry of motion. And the *Gopher's* special artist did not neglect his opportunity."

We have since added to our number two more; one, a dignified Senior, Ada Smith, who is a great strength and help to us and whom we very much regret to loose so soon from the active membership; the other, a charming little Freshman, Kathrina Mauson, who has already proven herself a good student and very popular socially.

"Manny" was very unruly during the initiation of the latter, so unruly, in fact, that Kathrina threatened to feed her chocolate creams on the sly before she should have a chance at another victim.

Nine fraternities are now represented in our University: Chi Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi and Theta Phi (local), and Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Gamma, and Kappa Alpha Theta.

Both Greeks and barbs welcomed Upsilon in a most friendly manner, and some very nice congratulatory letters were received from the other frats.

The Delta Gammas are our especial friends, and gave us a most delightful reception on the evening of February 13. They are here a very flourishing chapter and edit the *Anchora*, which is a journal worthy of great commendation.

The Kappa Kappa Gammas received the Deltas and Thetas from 3 to 6 on the afternoon of March 18. The Kappas are excellent hostesses.

We had the pleasure this spring of entertaining a dear sister from Tau. Mabelle Thatcher, and it was then that Upsilon gave her first party, which the "boys" declare was a success. It was held at the home of Kathrina Mauson. The house was decorated with black and gold ribbons and bows of the same appeared on the napkins, forks, and spoons, while the sandwiches were wrapped in black and gold papers. The souvenirs were kite-shaped tied in black and gold. Dancing, conversation, and music by the Mandolin Club, were the amusements.

The delegates from Minnesota Beta, who attended the Phi Psi convention at Chicago, returned with many praises of our Tau.

Our university has been particularly lively this spring with elections, chief of which was the election on March 23 of a new board of editors for the *Ariel*. A Delta Gamma of the Junior class and a Kappa Alpha Theta of the Sophomore class were among the candidates. For two years there has been considerable opposition to putting ladies on the editorial board. Both were elected, however, and the last number seems to lack nothing of its usual excelleace on this account, in fact I think it considerably improved.

Another very interesting election was that held by the Sophomores April 18, to elect a board of nine editors to publish the *Gopher*, an annual published each year by the Junior class. Again two ladies are elected, and as before, a Delta Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta.

Before closing I should like to say a word or two about our University for the benefit of our sisters in the eastern colleges, whom, I fear, have some very erroneous ideas concerning our college, and western colleges in general. I will endeavor to be brief, however, for I know that I have usurped too much space already.

Our University is situated on the banks of the Mississippi river in Minneapolis, and yet between the Twin cities. The grounds are very extensive and covered with the grandest old oaks. We have already six fine buildings on the campus, to say nothing of the agricultural buildings located on the farm a few miles distant, and, as \$275,000 has recently been appropriated to the University, we shall expect great improvements during the year. The law and medical departments will have new buildings, Science Hall will be completed, and last, but not least, a drill ground will be leveled off for the gentlemen and a drill hall fitted up for the ladies. Our professors in the various departments number 102, and they are professors of superior scholarship and ability. The students number about 700. Military drill has been introduced this year, and has recently been made compulsory for both ladies and gentlemen of the Freshman class and elective for all others. Company Q (the ladies' company) now numbers about thirty, and has as captain a Kappa Alpha Theta. In such a university Upsilon feels confident of success.

We do wish more of the girls would visit us, we enjoyed so much the visits of the sisters from Alpha and Tau, only they were not half long enough. Come Thetas, one and all, Upsilon will receive you with open arms. We congratulate Lambda upon her prospective chapter house.

With best wishes to all the sisters and the journal.

M. A. R.

ALPHA.

De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind.

DEAR THETA SISTERS:—The records of our past term's work shows it to have been a prosperous one, and we can safely say that the present term bids fair to be crowned with equal success. Few changes have crept into our ranks. One or two of our girls are not in school this term, and we miss them with the genuine Theta feeling.

One of our graduate members, Miss Kate Daggy, has accepted a position as preceptress of the school at Vinton, Iowa.

One of the pleasantest events of the year was a reception recently given by the members of Kappa Kappa Gamma to Kappa Alpha Theta. As usual Kappa Kappa Gamma proved herself a royal hostess, and the afternoon will not soon be forgotten.

We have entertained our Preparatory members once this term at a poverty social, and are now beginning preparations for our annual banquet, which is to be given during Commencement week.

With best wishes to the Journal and to our sister chapters.

ALPHA.

BURLINGTON, VT.

I have been looking over the last journal to-day and notice that there is no alumnæ letter there from Lambda. It shall never be allowed that Lambda is remiss in any duty to the fraternity, so I must confess that I am the guilty one. I promised to write the letter, and then neglected to do it.

I have hardly learned what it is to be an alumnæ yet, so you must excuse me if my letter sounds very much like that of an under-graduate; neither can I tell you of new sights and faces as so many of the alumnæ do, for I have been so fortunate as to remain right here in Burlington, but I can tell you that Burlington is as beautiful a place as one could wish in which to spend a whole life time. Our lake and mountain scenery is almost unsurpassed, and this, with the educational advantages, make our city every thing that is desirable.

We are hoping that many of our Theta sisters will come here to attend the Sauveur School of Languages this summer.* We assure you a sisterly welcome, a spread at Lambda Hall, and a great many delightful boat rides on Lake Champlain.

If you could know how nice it is to take tea at the hall and then go out on the lake at sunset, and how many sisters you have here who would be glad to see you, I am sure you would all come.

Yours in Theta,

CLARA COLBURNE.

Editorial.

THE next journal will be issued in September, in season for all the chapters to receive the number before the time arrives for the Convention to meet.

Kappa Alpha Theta wishes each of her chapters a very successful Commencement season, and after the hurry and excitement of that time is over a long and delightfully refreshing summer vacation.

WILL Alpha chapter kindly pardon us for the grave error made in the February *Journal*, in attributing the article by Miss Eleanor Iglehart to Tau chapter instead of to Alpha, to which chapter the author really belongs. The fault occurred because of a misunderstanding, and we will try to guard against further errors of like nature.

Welcome to our new sister Upsilon, who has joined the ranks of Kappa Alpha Theta since the last issue of the journal. We are, indeed, happy to have a chapter letter from the Minneapolis girls, and feel sure it will give all the chapters great pleasure to hear of the success and prosperity of these energetic and ambitious sisters.

We wish to say a few words to the alumnæ members of Kappa Alpha Theta, by way of urging them to contribute to the journal. To be sure your chapters were appointed to furnish alumnæ articles for the paper, and the editors appointed by these chapters are prompt and obliging about sending the desired material. But it is not these that we mean; it is any and all of

the alumnæ members of the fraternity. Some have acquired at least local prominence for articles they have written, and now why not send an occasional article to the journal for publication. It would certainly be appreciated by the editors, and would add very greatly to the value of the paper if there were a larger number of contributors and if these were alumnæ of Kappa Alpha Theta.

WE hope that during the summer vacation, that is just before us, all the chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta will bear in mind that the Convention meets next October, with Kappa chapter, at Lawrence, Kansas. This chapter is already making elaborate preparations to receive her guests, and invites and expects a large delegation to be present. There are many points of interest to the fraternity to be discussed in the next Convention, and if each delegate will come with a carefully prepared list of the points she wishes to bring up, and what she desires to say on each point, it will be possible to do a large amount of important work in the few days allotted to the Convention. Think about enlarging the fraternity more rapidly; think about new song books and another issue of the catalogue, and think about a place for the publication of the Fournal for the next two years. All these are topics which will surely come up, and they certainly all deserve careful thought.

THE following, clipped from the Los Angeles *Times*, will be of interest to the readers of the KAPPA ALPHA THETA:

"Misses Ollie Harrison and Helen Widney have returned from San Jose, after accomplishing, with great eclat, the organization of a new chapter of the Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity in the University of the Pacific. College women regard this as a great event in the history of the fraternities on the Pacific coast. The new chapter was welcomed with enthusiasm by both faculty and students. The gentlemen of the San Jose chapter of Phi P i, one of the great Greek-letter fraternities, tendered the use

of their new chapter house for the initiation ceremony, and afterward gave the members of the new chapter an elaborate banquet."

SISTERS of Phi, in San Jose, welcome to the ranks of Kappa Alpha Theta! These energetic girls have kindly sent us a chapter letter, which we are sure will be welcomed by all the fraternity. Come to the Convention next fall, girls.

OMICRON chapter, wishing her sisters to know something of the entertainments they enjoy, has kindly sent us a Pasadena paper, containing the following account of a picnic:

"A merry party of young ladies, belonging to the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority of the University of Southern California, with their gentlemen friends, picnicked at Las Flores Saturday, the 23d, at the cottage of Mr. Milton Lindley. About thirty composed the party-two four-horse wagons being required to accommodate them. This company of young people was a creditable representation of the college to which they belong, as also of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, which was the first Greek sorority to establish a chapter in Southern California. After a feasting of the "inner man" on the substantials and delicacies of life, and of the eye on the unparalelled view, some strolled up the canyon, others toiled up the hills, while still others gathered large collections of specimens for botanical study. These classic maidens, with their escorts, resumed their journey homeward about 4:30 p. m., pronouncing the day a delightful one, and being charmed with Pasadena and surrounding country."

Exchanges !

The January *Chi Phi* contains an account of the sixty-fourth Convention held in November, 1888. An account full of interest to all the Chi Phis, and the poem and toasts given at the banquet, after the Convention, every one can read with pleasure.

An instructive paper on "Harvard Journalism" is contained in *The Shield* for February. It gives much information in regard to the status of journalistic work in Harvard, and incidently in other colleges. The March number has a bright bit called "The Scoop," an Easter offering in one act.

The Theta Delta Chi Shield has, besides the chapter letters and other matter devoted strictly to the fraternity, a poem and an oration of general interest. Both were delivered at the convention held at New York last November. The poem is a reminiscence of college days and fellow-students, while the oration, though entitled "Reminiscence of College Life," is in reality a disquisition on life in general. It contains many good thoughts, but our space is too limited for quoting.

Phi Gamma Delta, for March, contains a very interesting article entitled "Phi Gamma Delta in Literature." It is the first of a series of papers devoted to the noted men of Phi Gamma Delta. The present paper discusses some points in Lew Wallace's life, and gives some details of his home not usually obtainable. The article is entertaining to every one, for great men belong not only to their families and their friends, but to the world. Another paper, called "The Genius of Fraternity," is well written, and contains many excellent hints as to what fraternity feeling should be.

We are glad to quote a few sentences from an article contained in the *Delta Upsilon* for February. The article is entitled Loyalty, and is worth reprinting entire: "Of course one's primary object in entering college is to obtain a good education; but it is an open question whether the broadest and best education is to be secured by exclusive attention to curriculum studies. The fraternity system, based on the soundest principles, seeks for social and moral as well as mental development, and a loyalty that aids in the attainment of such ends cannot but strengthen and improve the indi-

vidual mind and character. It is selfishness, and cannot, therefore, be loyalty, to devote one's energies so completely to the mastery of the usual languages and sciences as to neglect other equally important duties of college life. This type of student may, to be sure, dutifully attend all the meetings of his chapter, and perfunctorily perform such tasks as may be assigned to him; but there is painfully lacking any deep sympathy with the work of the fraternity, any interest in the advancement of its standard.

"On the other hand, it is selfishness and not loyalty, to devote one's college years solely to the pursuit of athletic honors, disregarding and lowering the fraternity's standard of scholarship. Honors, whether scholastic or athletic, lend glory to our chapter's name; but the fraternity seeks general development and broadening of the mind, while much self devotion to a single phase of college life narrows the intellect and the sympathies. Again, it is selfishness and not loyalty, neglecting the higher aims, the more wholesome ambitions to live wholly in a social atmosphere, where the intellect shallows and the affections grow cold. We must not be one-sided men, however strongly a single phase may appeal to our sympathies and desires. Honestly striving to be loyal men, we cannot fail to tread the broadest path and attain the highest reward in the most complete general development."

Personals !-

PI.

E. May Moses spent her vacation at Toledo.

We were glad to welcome Emma Parsons back this term.

Mrs. Rose Keenan, '87, made a short vtsit at her parents' home in Albion.

Fannie Staley has a new Theta pin, and we know something will happen to it as she is so proud of it.

Jennie Armstrong, one of our most enthusiastic Thetas, has been obliged to give up her college work on account of sickness and has returned to Denver.

LAMBDA.

Gertrude Conant, '90, is one of the artists of the Junior publication, the Ariel.

Mattie Skinner, '91, was chosen as one of the speakers at Sophomore Ex. Lambda had good reason to be proud of her representative.

Jean Christie, '86, who was married shortly after leaving college, now has a little son. Lambda gives him a hearty welcome into the world, but regrets that his sex prevents his being a prospective Theta.

RHO.

Minnie Latta has been visiting friends in Nebraska City.

Pearl Dement has been quite ill at her home in Lexington, Illinois.

Olive Latta is in school again, her health being much improved.

Annie Funke enjoyed a very pleasant trip to Denver during the spring vacation.

The beautiful home of Dena Loomis will soon be completed and Rho is promised a reception.

Elizabeth Dui Bonnell is not in school this term, and rumor says—matrimonial contemplation.

It is rumored that Annie Christine Childs and Gertrude Hardenbergh Laws will study music in New York this summer.

Katharine Weston, although not well enough to return to school, rejoiced the hearts of her sisters of Rho by a week's visit.

Mrs. Alma Holman Burton, Alpha, and Mrs. Lizzie Campbell Lindsay, Theta, have returned to their homes after a three months' stay in Lincoln.

UPSILON.

Emma Kemp is teaching at Maple Plain, Minn.

Beulah McHenry is teaching at Fargo, Dakota.

Minnie Rexford assists in the editing of the Gopher of '91.

Ada Smith is captain of Company Q, and drills the company daily.

Anna Guthrie has charge of the literary department of the Ariel.

TAU.

Tau enjoyed a short visit from Grace Knapp, ex-'91, during the past week.

May Gloss visited in Aurora, with her sister, in March. She was obliged to be out of school last term, but has now returned.

Mabelle Thatcher, '88, gave a pleasant party at her home, in River Forest, April 3, to which several of the Theta girls were invited.

Jennie Meredith spent the spring vacation with Lillian Prescott, at her home in Marinette, Wis.

Edith Garton, '91, spent Sunday with Grace Knapp, ex-'81, at her home in Sycamore, Ills., the last of the winter term.

EPSILON.

Mary Henderson, '88, is home from Wellesley.

Mrs. Howard Higbee, '87, is visiting her parents and friends in Wooster.

Cards are out for the marriage of Marie Aten to Mr. Elden, of E. Liverpool, Ohio.

Kittie Alling, '86, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Boroughs, and other Wooster friends.

Marie Aten, with '90 through Sophomore, spent a few days with her Theta sisters last term.

KAPPA.

May Walker is visiting her sister in St. Louis.

Mrs. Hattie MacDonald will take her M. A. in June.

Bessie Root will visit in Lawrence during Commencement.

Ella Ropes, '87, of Topeka, made her Theta sisters a very pleasant visit last month.

Miss Florence Beck, of Alpha, spent several weeks with the girls of Kappa recently.

Florence Reasoner has a position as essayist on the Orphilian programme for June.

Kate Wilder is in Lawrence, the guest of May Webster. She will be with us again during Commencement.

Tella Chapman has been obliged to give up her studies at the University on account of poor health, and has gone to Syracuse, Kas., hoping to be benefited. She is greatly missed by Kappa.

DELTA.

Cora Blake is at her home in Niantic this term.

Hattie Henry called on her Theta sisters last term.

Ella Landon is greatly missed from our ranks this term.

Ruth Evans is devoting all her time to music at present.

Mamie Sterry has recently visited at her home in Pontiac.

Lizzie Hopkins spent her vacation with her father in Malden.

Cora Wonwley has added music to her list of studies for this term.

Lillian McCrea attended the inaugural at Washington, March 4.

Rachael Watt made a recent visit to Lexington to attend the funeral of a friend.

Louella Gray, who was out of school last term, again forms one of our merry party.

Mary Potter represents the Sophomore class at our exercises commemorating April 30, 1789.

Irene Blanchard, a loyal Theta of last year, is teaching school near her home at Minonk, Ills.

Two of our girls, Mae Gooding and Lou Gray, have given us a sample of Junior oratory so far this term.

Gertrude Jenkins, one of Delta's earnest workers, after an absence of two years is with us again this term.

May Wood was obliged to leave school last term on account of sickness, but is ready for work again this spring.

Mattie Myers, who is attending school at the University of Southern California, expects to make us glad by her return next fall.

Minnie Willett returned to her home in Montana the latter part of last term, being called away by the severe illness of her sister. Edna Downey is at present rusticating at her home in Wenona, but will probably be back with us next fall.

Minnie Cockerline, Phoebe Kerrick, Clara Landon and Hattie Wasmuth are spending their spare(?) time on the tennis ground, learning to "racket" with some of the Phi Gam boys.

Last, but not least, Ada Houck still wears the honors of the "Baby."

OMICRON.

Lena Tufts, '87, is teaching in the University.

Nellie Read, Delta, is now residing with her parents in Los Angeles.

Bertha Lindley, '87, who has been studying art and music in San Francisco, is with us again.

Mrs. Bovard, wife of our president and one of Alpha's earliest members, visited friends in the East last fall.

A short time ago Mrs. Lillie (Manker) Allen, '87, entertained her Theta sisters at her home in Pasadena.

Helen Widney, one of our charter members, having recovered from a long illness is persuing her musical studies.

Rosa Harrison, '87, having spent a year at San Jose studying music, has returned to her home in Los Angeles.

Early in the year Sada Johnson, '87, entertained her Theta sisters and gentlemen friends at her beautiful home in the city.

Married February 11, 1889, Mrs. S. S. Durbin to Rev. Mr. Cherrington, dean of Maclay College of Theology. Mrs. Cherrington was formerly art teacher in the University, and is an honorary member of Kappa Alpha Theta.

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